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**REQUEST
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Application Number	09/943,187
Filing Date	August 29, 2001
First Named Inventor	Kristy A. Campbell, et al.
Group Art Unit	2822
Examiner Name	Khanh B. Duong
Attorney Docket No.	M4065.0703/P703

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114

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- i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. Other _____

b. Enclosed

- i. Amendment/Reply
- ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

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b. Other _____

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- ii. Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
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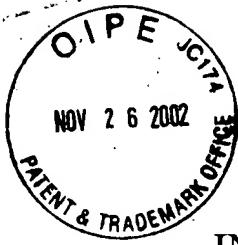
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For: METHOD OF FORMING
CHALCOGENIDE COMPRISING
DEVICES AND METHOD OF FORMING
A PROGRAMMABLE MEMORY CELL OF
MEMORY CIRCUITRY

AMENDMENT

BOX: AMENDMENT
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Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated October 23, 2002, allowing claims 1-33,
please amend the above-captioned U.S. Patent application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please add new claims 34-50 below.

Sub D17 34. (new) The method of forming a chalcogenide structure, comprising:

forming a chalcogenide glass layer;

forming a metal-containing layer over the chalcogenide glass layer;

irradiating said metal-containing layer to break a chalcogenide bond of the
chalcogenide glass layer at the interface of the metal-containing layer and chalcogenide